

In General

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PHS Students-Back CSF Drive

Teenage Lounge Coming to Pittsfield

by Bernie Rosenblum

A new idea in a "teen lounge" has come to the Berkshires. The new facility will be a meeting place for teen-agers who wish good talk and live entertainment. While still in the planning stages, the "Devonian Lounge," as it will be called, has been received with enthusiasm by the PHS student body. As one prominent PHS senior put it, "It would seem to be a great thing, something Pittsfield has needed for a long time. It should go over well if run correctly."

Village Style

The "Devonian Lounge" has started out on the right foot. A group of students got together and decided that Pittsfield should have a teen lounge. One of the group, Steve Toplitz, had just returned from New York City where he visited such places in Greenwich Village. With some knowledge of how a good club should be run, the group was in business.

After receiving applications for the various licenses the club ran into a few snags. First, some of the students did not have the needed capital to start the club. They figured that \$1,200 would be needed, so they decided to expand the group to 24 individuals, all of whom would be willing to put in \$50.

The organization is comprised of Toplitz, Mike Smith, Bill Blake, Bob Sides, all PHS seniors, and Pete Drozd, a Berkshire Community College student. Working with the group is a representative of Press and Radio Associates, an independent news and public relations agency.

If all goes well and enough money is raised by planned mixers (first one to be held is tentatively scheduled for April 9), the boys' hope to open at the old Cue 'n Cushion on West St. The building will be decorated inside, with blue lights shining from the ceiling. There will be tables set up around a dance floor with a stage at the rear of the place.

Live Entertainment

Live entertainment will be provided. The group has applied for a food license.

Opening day is set for May 1, but is subject to change because of the trouble encountered so far. Even if it does not get beyond the planning stages, the idea is an excellent one, and the club would seem to be on a much higher level than Pittsfield's other teen-age night clubs have been.

The group, unlike those that have come before it, has asked the police department for help. This move was made to insure a good public image.



Making a collection for the Citizens Scholarship Fund are Mitchell Massaconi and Tom Grieve. Mrs. Carolyn Hopkins posed as part of a promotion to gain student support for the CSF house-to-house campaign.

Sue Giordano McGovern, Leads Cheerleaders Coy Named Associate Editors

by Cande Grieve

Sometimes you see her in a green truck, delivering prescriptions for Flynn's Pharmacy; sometimes you see her cavorting in the tunnel; and sometimes you see her in the teachers' dining room at a Student Council meeting; but wherever you see this active junior, Sue Giordano, you



SUE GIORDANO

will now see her as the newly elected captain of the varsity cheerleaders.

In her sophomore year Sue was a member of the Pep Club and the GAA and was a homeroom representative. This year she has been on the Student Council and the features staff of both In General and the Student's Pen. She modeled in the Cadette Fashion Show and was on the rally decorating committee. With all her school activities, Sue still finds time for singing in her church and working part time.

by Shaun Harrington

Joe McGovern and Karen Coy have been waiting for this issue of "In General" for about two months now. One would never guess why . . . The fact of the matter is, these two have been chosen as the new associate editors for "our paper." We (Dave Glodt, Colleen O'Gara, and the author) feel that the choice was a good one, and the entire staff of editors tends to agree with us (not that it would make any difference either way) and, therefore, we are proud to have Karen and Joe with us.

Mr. McGovern

Mr. McGovern, as he likes to be called by those who aren't too well acquainted with him, is, in spite of this, a very personable fellow. His closer friends call him Joe, and he is hardly against people calling him by his first name. In truth, however, Joe is very friendly and a very conscientious fellow. He has been an honor roll student

Teaching Career

A college prep credit list student, she hopes to attend the University of Massachusetts or Bridgewater State Teachers' College, where she would like to major in Spanish and prepare for a teaching career in that subject.

We'll all be seeing a lot of Sue next year, where the action is — with the PHS varsity cheerleading squad. The responsibility of the captain of the cheerleaders is a big one. To a great extent the spirit of the entire school depends on the cheerleaders' unceasing enthusiasm and dedication to this job. With Sue in charge, the spirit of PHS is in good hands.

Council, 'In General' Join Forces

by Dave Glodt

The biggest move ever taken for student participation in a community project was launched this morning. Members of the Student Council have joined with the "In General" staff and the directors of the Citizens Scholarship Foundation in an effort to put 500 Pittsfield High students behind the CSF's house to house scholarship drive.

The dramatic move originated at a recent Student Council meeting when CSF made its annual plea for help. The Student Council told representatives of the scholarship organization that they would do all they could to promote the drive and council president Stan Graves then enlisted the help of the school paper and all homeroom representatives.

The CSF gives scholarships to students at both Pittsfield high schools on the basis of need and achievement. The outright gifts range from \$100 to \$500. The foundation labels itself as a "do-it-yourself" organization, which has helped 181 Pittsfield students during the past seven years.

Door to Door

The door to door campaign is scheduled for early May with students asked to give a little

more than an hour of their time collecting funds. The students will go door to door during the early evening hours. It is felt that students will be able to tell the story of why the money is needed better than anyone else.

Shaun Harrington, editor of In General, stated that the reason he has put the newspaper behind the drive is to insure that more seniors will be able to enjoy the benefits of furthering their education after leaving PHS. Harrington said that the drive will directly help this year's seniors, but more important it will spread the name of the CSF and in future years enable other students to enjoy the same benefits.

Special Presentation

The newspaper said it would honor those collecting by special presentations to those who collect the most money and to the homeroom which sends out the greatest number of volunteers.

The CSF goal is unlimited and the PHS student participation goal stands at not less than 500.

A special form for indicating student interest is located elsewhere in this issue. Students are asked to fill in the required information and give the form to their homeroom representative.

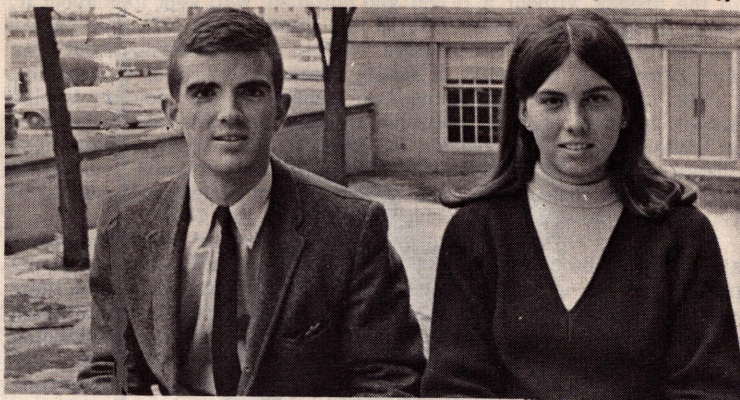


Photo by Mark Mitchell

Seated, but ready for action are the new associate editors of In General Joe McGovern and Karen Coy. The new editors will join Shaun Harrington who continues as editor in chief.

for two terms at PHS since his transfer from Cranwell Preparatory School. Joe has written for "In General" Sports, Current Events, and Features, and will prove to be a very competent editor.

Girl to Watch

A girl who will be active in many PHS class activities in the future — and a girl to watch (for she is quite comely) is our other associate editor, Karen Coy. Incidentally, Karen likes to be called just Karen. She is a member of the Student Council, a homeroom representative, Jiminy Peak ski instructor, and an Honors English and Math student. She was an honor roll student last term. Karen has been on the Advertising staff of "In General" and has written for the Features staff of the Student's Pen. We know she can do the job. Congratulations to Joe and Karen from the staff of the "In General."

That Was The Month That Was
Will Not Appear This Month.
Be Back Next Month.

CITIZENS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION HOUSE TO HOUSE DRIVE

I would like to be one of the 500

PHS students helping the CSF in its house-to-house drive.

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Address: Ward: Precinct:

Phone:

Only fill in ward if you are sure. Please
give this form to your homeroom representative.
Thank you! !

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EDITORIAL



A Flag.. Personality or Spirit?



Have you ever noticed a shredded or dilapidated flag that needs repairing or restoration? Does this, the symbol of our country, in its worn out stages, symbolize many of the attitudes of the young people of today towards our country and even our own lives? Are there too many people walking around with an "I don't care attitude?" If so, what can the people who do care, do about this stagnant attitude?

Like the flag which barely has enough strength to flow smoothly in the breeze without a proud and polished, well kept look about it, many of our own people are living in a similar way, with just barely the ability to "hold their own in the air," uncaring about laws and principles and what it really means to be living in America.

The apathy shown towards the symbol of our country is also shown in our lack of political interest and the lack of interest in understanding our position in world affairs. We are given these chances every day — men are devoting their time and lives so we will begin to understand what it is to be an American. Look at the young men who are fighting under our flag in Viet Nam!

It looks as though, like an unkept flag, many of our young people also need to be "restored." This is partially due to the way young people give an uncaring attitude. Some seniors who will be on their own are starting to realize that soon they will begin establishing a pattern for being independent and will have to begin understanding what is going on in this world. This shouldn't happen to just a few people, particularly those leaving the high school, but everyone should realize the value of what is going on in the world today.

Men every day are giving their lives because they truly understand what it is to be an American, and many of us do, but sadly enough there are too many people who take what we all have for granted.

Every day people who have not understood what is happening in Viet Nam are becoming directly or indirectly involved with someone who will probably be fighting there and this makes them realize and face reality. But all people should come out of their safe and secure worlds a little bit and show that they do want to preserve what we all have been able to live with so the next generation and all the following generations to come will share what we have in this world.

We must all begin to be independent people, but unite in an American spirit as more and more every day our young men will be giving their time and lives so we can continue having the "American Way of Life."

This graduating class, and others to follow, will soon learn that to preserve what we have, our spirits must be renewed and restored, as well as "Old Glory," for what it symbolizes.

As We See It...

The Citizens' Scholarship Foundation deserves every student's support. The goal of 500 to help in the door to door campaign can be reached if all cooperate . . . Hats off to the PHS wrestling team on their fine showing in both the Western Mass. and State tournaments . . . Fred Hogan deserves a vote of thanks for his diligent work in helping to obtain jackets for the PHS Class A football champions . . . We are glad to see the play moving so well under the direction of Jayne Mooney . . . We hope to see the girls' gymnastic tournament. Initiated this year, continue . . . The Students' Pen continue its rise in quality, with the selection of fine new editors.....

Opinion

Big Business Learns a Lesson

by Dan Ford

The last few months have taught American big business a lesson which it will probably not soon forget. The current administration has indicated that basic industries are going to be treated much like public utilities. It seems that a company may not raise its prices without first checking with the government, and that big price hikes may be blocked. This is a subject which has been hotly debated ever since the Roosevelt era in the 1930's, and recent controversies have succeeded in adding fuel to the fire.

Big and Fat

First, let us recognize one thing: the big business leaders of this country are not merely a shady bunch of crooks: Too often, businessmen are pictured as the typical "big, fat capitalists," with a black cloak and a silk hat, who care about nothing except the amount of money they can swindle. Nothing could be further from the truth: We must remember that it was big business which actually made America what it is today. Prior to the New Deal era, wages were higher, prices were lower, and working conditions were better than in any other country in the world. No other nation could even approach our economic position. Then, the inevitable happened. A depression hit, and, in an attempt to revive the country, the Roosevelt Administration employed tactics which greatly inhibited the operations of business. The government even went so far as to compete with private businesses, as with TVA, trying to cut consumer cost. Who in his right mind can believe that it is fair to have a private business compete on the open market with the United States Government, with its endless supply of resources? As a result of this action, many honest, sincere corporations went bankrupt and folded up. Although our prosperity returned, I rather doubt the justice of this type of proceedings.

We are encountering much the same thing today. It was emphasized in January when U.S. Steel proposed a price hike. President Johnson declared that such a hike would be purely in-

News Briefs

by Carole Selin

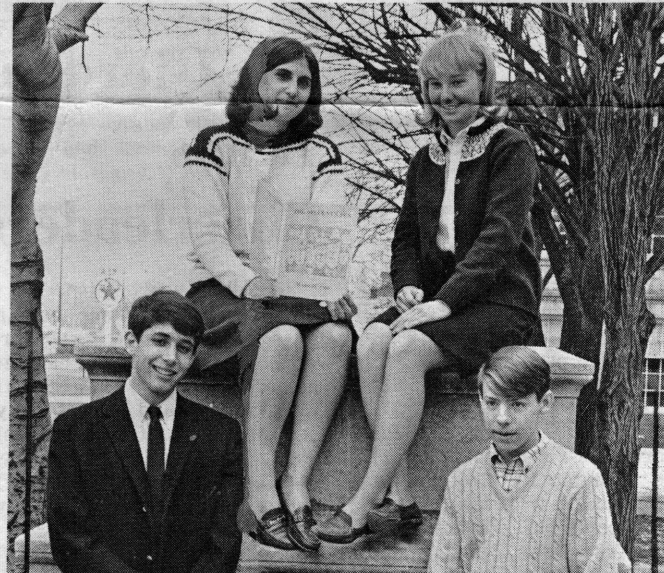
A Russian cosmonaut, Aleksei Leonov, recalls having experienced rotating of his spaceship just as Gemini Eight's astronauts, Armstrong and Scott did in their flight. Mr. Leonov said he "quickly got used to this and even took advantage of it for my own purposes" . . . The New York Thruway Authority has decided to require that all vehicles going less than 40 m.p.h. on the State Thruway have flashing lights to warn other vehicles. At several places on the thruway there will be signs notifying drivers to switch on their flashing lights if their speed drops below 40 m.p.h. . . . Greek and American experts hope to discover Heliki, an ancient Greek town that vanished 2,339 years ago in the Gulf of Corinth. The Greek government will sponsor the search for the city which was engulfed by a tidal wave after a violent earthquake in 373 B.C. . . . The U.S. will give \$56 million federal aid to 1,358 colleges and universities for the 1966-67 college year. This is made possible under the 1965 Higher Education Act

Batman has been called television's poorest driver and a terrible example to America's youth. In one program alone he was guilty of safety violations such as U-turns, crossing the white line on highways, parking illegally, speeding, and failing to signal even a single turn.

flationary and was unnecessary, and he informed Roger Blough, chairman of U.S. Steel, that a price boost would not be allowed. Finally, after a threat of selling stock pile reserves, a "settlement" was reached and steel prices were not raised substantially. Last November the same thing happened with the aluminum industry, and there have been other instances of the identical situation occurring. It is strange to notice, however, that when labor has become irate and demanded wage increases, not one word of protest has been heard from the White House. Even the steel workers, whose company later was prevented from raising its prices, received a big pay boost in September. The President helped little in settling the now famous New York Transit Strike of last January.

Clamp On

It is also peculiar that while the government pays a great deal of attention to price control, it does little to establish wage control. For years, labor has been "getting away with murder," while big business has had the clamp put on it. So many bureaucratic government committees have been formed to check on business, that business is no longer able to function freely. Business has given us every indication that it would be able to perform just as well, if not better, if some of the ties were taken off it. Every time we restrict business, we take a step toward minimizing capitalism and establishing a modified socialism.



Named as editors for the Student's Pen were, from left to right and top to bottom, Patti Baker, assistant editor; Mary Kappenman, business manager; Bob Sandler, editor in chief; and Bob Sweeney, art editor.

BERKSHIRE HILLS SHOP ----

Spring is just around the corner. But, the people at the Berkshire Hills Shop aren't waiting for Mother Nature — they've already rounded up the newest in men's fashions and put 'em out for you to see.

What's new in shirts and slacks? Try a paisley or an Irish Linen by Manhattan; there's a startling new polka-dot, too! Or perhaps a Henley neck from Puritan. To go with them, how about a pair of smart new Hopsack Press-Free casuals by H.I.S. Levi makes them, too, in a variety of new colors. In sweaters for summer they've got just the thing — short-sleeves in Velours and soft knits. Choose from solids or stripes.

In light outerwear, you'll find Nylon Jackets with zipper fronts, sporting stripes around the chest and arms. Or, an H.I.S. Madras that reverses to a solid pastel. There are C.P.O.'s, too, in wool, scrub-denim or cotton.

If you're dressing up, there's plenty yet to see. Try on the New Linen Look in sports coats, or maybe a Hopsack, or bold, new colored Seersucker. Whatever you choose, make sure to match it with one of their great new shades in dress slacks — by H.I.S., or Farah. To top it all off at the bottom, slip into a pair of Walk-Over grain loafers. Now, you're ready for spring the Berkshire Hills Shop way.

Sandler Heads

New Pen Staff

by Mary Garvey

Bob Sandler, newly chosen editor-in-chief of the Student Pen, is, without a doubt, one of the most personable, witty, and competent fellows around Pittsfield High School. We talked with Bob informally the other day and found that the Pen's new editor has some very profound ideas about "his" newly acquired magazine. Other subjects touched upon during the interview were the idea of editorials either being signed or left unsigned, the comprehensive exam question, and the proposed new high school.

Following Tradition

Bob had this to say about the Pen. "In the past, the Student's Pen has been following tradition . . . This year the format was modernized, a big improvement over past years . . . This year the Who's Who section has given people with artistic ability a chance to demonstrate their talents . . . The Pen has also become more unified through the use of a specific theme. The unifying effect also does a great deal for the quality of the magazine." He also told us that he felt editorials, if they express the opinion of the periodical, (they are in) should be left unsigned, while if they are the writer's own personal opinion they should be stated as such. On comprehensive exams, Bob said he thought there should be a "trial period" for the simple reason that, "We really don't know what we're getting ourselves into."

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PHS Wrestlers Cop Western Mass Honors

by Dave Nelson

After winding up this year's season with a dual - meet record of 2-5 -1, the Pittsfield High Wrestling team, under the supervision of Coach George Sylvestor, finished 4th in the Western Mass. Tournament, held at Longmeadow, and placed two wrestlers in the semi - finals of the State Meet. Considering that wrestling is just in its first year as a varsity sport at Pittsfield while it has had varsity status at most of the other schools in Western Mass., for more than seven years, the PHS wrestlers made an excellent showing.

Captaining the PHS matmen is Bob Martin, a strong, well-built wrestler, possessing great skill, combining speed and good moves with an accurate knowledge of the holds. Coach Sylvestor cites Martin as already having the ability of a college freshman, commenting: "Martin will have a tremendous future as a college wrestler." Finishing with a 1-2 record last year Martin, after much hard work and perseverance, ended this year's dual - meet, schedule undefeated in the 133 lb. class. He went on to take a first in his class at Western Mass. and progressed to the semi-finals of the State Meet.

Another wrestler contributing much to the PHS squad is Cliff Perkins. After a slow start because of an injured arm, Cliff came back and took a first place at Western Mass. and placed 4th in the State Meet in the unlimited class. Perkins showed much improvement over last year, finishing with a 5-1 dual-meet record this season. He has a good knowledge of the holds and is extremely fast. Coming back next year, he may go all the way in the state meet.

In the 112 pound class Billy Choquette made a fine showing at Western Mass., finishing second. An intramural product, Billy possesses great speed and agility and has a fairly good knowledge of the holds. He finished the dual-meet schedule with a 6-2 record. Billy also will be back next year.

Accompanying Martin, Perkins and Choquette to the Western Mass. Tourney were Sam Bolus in the 103 division and Dick Arpante, a veteran from last year. Coach Sylvestor credited Ron Daverin with doing a good job this year and acknowledged Bruce Pivero as the most improved wrestler on the squad. With Perkins, Choquette, Pivero, Steve Johnson, Mike Barrington, Walt Bannick, and Wayne Scace returning next year, Pittsfield ought to have a good nucleus.

Because of double sessions at Pittsfield High next year, the wrestling program may be affected, but if the PHS team is able to practice, they will do it on a varsity level, and they will be tough to beat.

Tennis at PHS

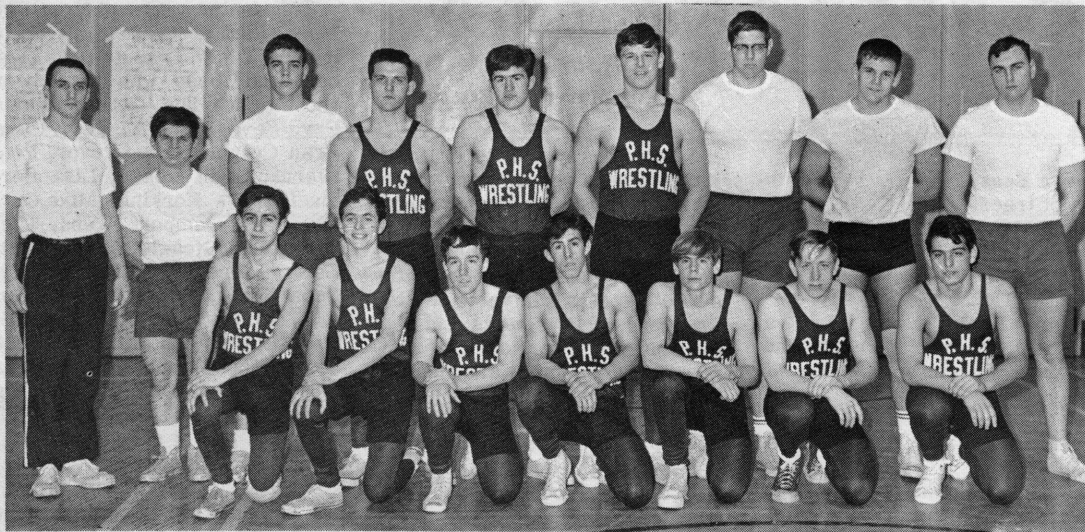
by
Joe Kamienski
and
Dick Shapiro

This spring PHS will add another varsity sport to its extra-curricular list. According to a recent School Committee decision, Tennis will now be played on the varsity level.

According to Mr. Paul Rodhouse, there will be six matches scheduled. However, he is trying to plan ten games.

Bob Bondi will probably be one of the outstanding members of this year's team-to-be.

Practice will begin on April 1st, and a coach will be chosen at a meeting on March 30. Anyone who is interested in playing this varsity sport, please get in touch with Mr. Rodhouse.



The Pittsfield High wrestling team stands with Coach George Sylvestor after posting a 2-5-1 record. The team finished fourth in the Western Mass. Tournament. This was varsity wrestling's first year at PHS.

Baseball Soon To Be In Full Swing

by Tom Paar

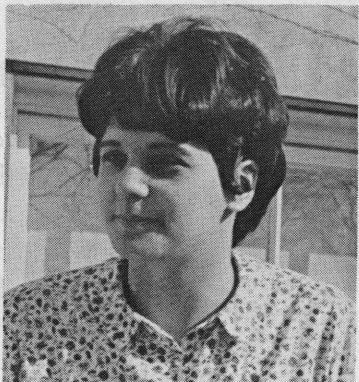
On April 20, Pittsfield High School's baseball team initiates its longest and toughest schedule of 20 games against a Chicopee team which Pittsfield High School has never beaten. Besides Chicopee, Pittsfield will also meet such fine teams as Springfield Tech, Chatham, Drury, and the remaining members of the Northern Berkshire League. (St. Joe (P), Mt. Greylock, Adams, St. Joe (N.A.) and Wahconah.)

For five weeks prior to their first game, longer for pitchers and catchers, the Generals have been avidly preparing themselves for their season. Led by Mark Farrell and Dick Del Gallo, the squad has been rounding itself into top shape with all types of drills and exercises. Indeed all this training will be displayed throughout the season against all comers.

Sportswoman of the Year

by Diane Shepard

"In General" chose this issue to present its annual Sportswoman of the Year. She is as deserving as any of our boys who have been chosen as Sportsman of the Month. Her name is Barb Conti. Her leadership qualities were evident even as a sophomore



"Deserving as any boy. . ."

when she was chosen co-captain of all four sports teams. Also, in her sophomore year she was co-champion of the girls' badminton tournament. Thus, she became the only girl ever to win a letter in her sophomore year. She also won the tournament in her junior year.

Sports are far from all that Barb thinks about. She is active in many other areas of school life. As this year's Cadette Senior manager, she acted as chairman of the Cadette Fashion Show, which was a tremendous success. Barb is the treasurer of the G.A.A. and the co-editor of the advertising staff of "In Gen-

G.A.A. News

by Kathy Brecht

Once again showing great skill in both speed and accuracy with the ball, the senior girls came through to win the basketball tournament by combining team spirit and individual skill. Out of four games, these energetic girls won two, lost one, and then made a comeback by winning the final playoff game against the hardworking juniors. For their team effort, these girls will receive a letter. Congratulations to Barb Conti, captain; Nancy Bogle, Barb Cook, Sue Gifford, Kathy Hill, Janet Lindemuth, Sandy Mullaney, Sue Symanski, and Chris White.

For the first time in PHS history, a gymnastic meet was held March 23 and 25 in the girls' gym. In order to prepare for this special event, the girls worked on their specialty two or three times a week after school, under the watchful eyes of Miss Mac, and the boys' gymnastic team. Perfection was the goal.

The meet had for the first day girls on the uneven parallel bars and the horse. The difficult job of judging the meet was given to Coach Sylvestor and Coach Benedetti. Those placing on the parallel bars were Karen Harris, 6.3; Gail Lefkowitz, 6.2; Sue Gifford, 20.8; Marlene Kitterman 16.6; and Pat Gifford, 16.5. Those girls winning first places will receive a letter, and second and third place winners will receive a set of numerals.

Swimming Team

Makes Big Splash

by Bernie Rosenblum

Pittsfield High's first varsity swim team has just completed the most successful campaign of any swimming team in Massachusetts. The mermen accomplished this by finishing second in the state meet and then making the best showing of any Massachusetts team by placing second in the New England Swimming Meet. Three PHS swimmers, John Stephens, Donne Marchetto, and Jim Bushey, accounted for all of the team's 32 points. Stephens made the best showing of the three by placing second in the 400-yard freestyle and sixth in the 200. Bushey was second in the 100 - yard freestyle and fourth in the 50. Marchetto grabbed a sixth in the breaststroke.

Stephens has had the most successful indoor season of any PHS swimmer. In addition to competing under the PHS banner, John has swum in several New England AAU meets. In his most recent meet John captured the featured event, the New England Junior 200 - yard breaststroke championship. This victory was John's fourth New England championship.

This closes the 1966 varsity swimming season for the swimmers of PHS. After the New England meet Pittsfield was considered by all knowing swim mentors as the number one team in the state. Juniors Stephens and Marchetto will return next year and they hope they can be number one in New England.



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Generally Speaking

by Dave Glodd



It's a very funny thought that if Bears were Bees, They'd build their nests at the bottom of trees. And that being so (if Bees were Bears), We shouldn't have to climb up all these stairs.

Now if you'll just wait a minute before declaring that I've gone completely mad I'll explain. This (I hope you have decided) is not anything I said. It was said by a good friend of mine, a short time ago. I'm not quite sure when he said it, but it was on one of those days when he was saying all kinds of things like it.

WARNING!!!!

Don't read any further unless you were in some small way moved by what my friend said. Thank you.

My friend's name is Winnie - The - Pooh, and he has been talking to me for at least fifteen years. However, we parted company for a few of those years when I felt I was "getting too old" for him. However, recently, Pooh and I have gotten together again most everyday. Some might say I was being foolish, but how many of you have really met Pooh. Some may have seen the horrible movie that tried to depict my friend. If you think he is anything like the character depicted by Walt Disney you're in for a surprise.

Pooh is the type of fellow that anyone can get to know, and his adventures are the type you should be able to hear about anytime. I find that I'm most interested in Pooh and his friends after I've waded through Shakespeare.

Pooh has a number of friends including a fellow named Rabbit, another called Owl, a little one referred to as Piglet, and a kind of moody one who goes under the name of Eeyore. There are others who are also involved in what Pooh does, but that's for you to discover.

Pooh is happiest when he can have some honey and is most upset on rainy days because he figures that the bees will have to stay inside and won't be able to make any honey.

That's my friend. He can be found anyplace that they've heard of A. A. Milne.

Best Wishes,
Christopher Robin

—o—

We had planned on a few words about the students biggest problem, however, everyone has a different one. I've heard everything from finding the Up Stairs to coed lunch tables. So, I'll offer my own and see how many takers I can come up with.

I just can't put up with those memory passages from Shakespeare. No matter how much time I spend I always find myself coming to class knowing only half the selection. Any suggestions? (Comments from the English Department must be no more than 100 words and should be printed on blue paper, tripped spaced, and no word can contain more than three letters).

Jr. Committees Chosen

by Maryrose Eramo

Sandy Harvey and Roger Douillet have been chosen as co-chairmen for the Junior Prom. Sandy, a college prep student, is a member of the Pep Club and G.A.A. She participates in most after school sports and also writes for the Girls' Sports staff of the Students' Pen. Roger, a homeroom representative and member of the Class Council, is also a College Prep and has played baseball in his sophomore and junior years.

Chosen by Sandy and Roger as co-chairmen for the various other committees concerning the prom are:

Chris Marby and Ermino Barbalunga, co-chairmen of decorations;

—organization of music is under the direction of Cris Sawicki, Mark Welch;

—Patty Baker and Kevin Moynihan were chosen as co-chairmen of the program committee;

—invitations this year will be under the supervision of Sally LaBlue and Pam Hopper;

—Co-chairmen of Publicity are Nancy Dickson and Terry Hanlon;

—the Reception Committee is headed by Barb Geoffrion and Larry Hunt;

—Joanne Mela and Gary Mazzelli are co-chairmen of the House Committee;

The Refreshments are under the management of Jody Garstang and Bill Scutt; tickets, is headed by Linda Hadley and Dick Josephs.

Debate Today

This morning the Bowdoin College Debating Club will present a simulated debate in front of the combined Junior and Senior Classes in the Pittsfield High auditorium. The program is being presented with the cooperation of the PHS Debating Society. The Bowdoin team consists of Jonathan Parsons, James Blandford, Brian Hawkins, and Gary Roberts.

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Meet The Sycamores

The senior class play will be Moss Hart's "You Can't Take It With You." Tryouts have been held and those who have been chosen are Sue Grady, Gloria Fry, Seal Mandell, Tom Finn, Fran Colvin, Mike Grover, Pete Kiernan, Phil Rosen, Lisa Bertocci, Steve Korkink, Mike Curley, Chris Comport, Wendy Truran, Nancy Neagle, Ernie West, Keith Halperin, Tony Jakacky, Dana Reed, and Bill Winslow.

"You Can't Take It With You" is a comedy dated about 1938 concerning the unbelievable lives of the Sycamore family. It shows how to enjoy life with just enough money to take it easy; how to select hobbies; how to evade the income tax; and how much fun commencements really can be. There is a grandfather who collects stamps and live snakes and who is thought to be dead by everyone outside of the Sycamores and the Internal Revenue Service. Another member of this heartwarming family is Penny, who is a painter turned playwright because a guest forgot a typewriter. All other members of this delightful cast are just as interesting and will produce an enjoyable evening.

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He also felt that it was "too bad" our city officials couldn't foresee the need for a new high school before this time — double sessions will definitely be "tough on everyone."

Next year will surely be a full one for Bob. Not only will he have the "delightful burden of organizing and putting together the Student's Pen," but he will also be working hard in advanced placement English and biology. Extracurricular activities are hardly new to Bob, though, for he is a homeroom representative, and a track and ski team member. In General extends its congratulations and best wishes to a "really nice guy."

Naval Exhibit

by Peter Spina

A collection of naval combat paintings will be on display at the Berkshire Museum from April 18, to May 2. Some 300 battle scenes by nationally known artists who actually witnessed the battles will be on display. The collection is presently on an eastern tour of the United States.

The United States Navy Band, in support of the show, will present two concerts on April 29, in the PHS auditorium.

Also in connection with the exhibit will be an art contest for students in public and private schools. There will be an elementary, junior and senior division with a \$25 cash prize, a framed reprint of an exhibit piece and a \$5 gift certificate at Miller's Supply for the winner in each division. Further information concerning the contest will be available shortly.

Daffynitions

by Carole Selin

Here are some daffynitions which are guaranteed to help you out in history or economics. These are thought to have originated at Virginia Tech:

Socialism — If you have two cows, you give one to your neighbor.

Communism — If you have two cows, you give them to the government and the government gives you some milk.

Fascism — If you have two cows, you keep them and give the milk to the government; the government sells you some milk.

Nazism — If you have two cows, the government shoots you and takes the cows.

New Dealism — If you have two cows, you shoot one and milk the other; then pour the milk down the drain.

Capitalism — If you have two cows, you sell one and buy a bull.

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